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*The Seventh Session of the Senate of the United States:
By special summons.*

MONDAY, MARCH 4, 1793.

In conformity to the summons from the President of the United States, the Senate assembled in the Senate Chamber, in the City of Philadelphia, and commenced their seventh session.

The Hon. John Langdon, President, pro tempore, read the summons of the President of the United States, as follows:

The President of the United States to the President of the Senate:

Certain matters, touching the public good, requiring that the Senate shall be convened on Monday, the 4th instant, I have desired their attendance, as I do yours, by these presents, at the Senate Chamber, in Philadelphia, on that day; then and there to receive and deliberate on such communications as shall be made to you on my part.

Go. WASHINGTON.

March 1st, 1793.

The following Senators were present.—From

New Hampshire,	the Honorable John Langdon.
Massachusetts,	“ George Cabot.
Rhode Island,	“ Theodore Foster.
Connecticut,	“ { Oliver Ellsworth, and Roger Sherman.
New York,	“ Rufus King.
New Jersey,	“ John Rutherford.
Pennsylvania,	“ Robert Morris.
Delaware,	“ George Read.
Maryland,	“ { John Henry, and Richard Potts.
Virginia,	“ James Monroe.
Kentucky,	“ { John Brown, and John Edwards.
North Carolina,	“ Benjamin Hawkins.
South Carolina,	“ Ralph Izard.
Georgia,	“ James Gunn.

The Hon. Samuel Livermore, from the State of New Hampshire, produced his credentials, and took his seat in Senate; and the oath was administered to him by the President of the Senate, as the law provides.

Agreeably to notice given by the President of the United States, on the 2d instant, he came to the Senate Chamber, and took his seat in the chair usually assigned the President of the Senate, who, on this occasion, was seated at the right and in advance of the President of the United States; a seat on the left, and also in advance, being provided for Judge Cushing, appointed to administer the oath; the doors of the Senate Chamber being open, the Heads of the Departments, Foreign Ministers, the late Speaker, and such members of the late House of Representatives as were in town, together with as many other spectators as could be accommodated, were present.

After a short pause, the President of the Senate arose, and addressed the President of the United States, as follows:

“Sir: One of the Judges of the Supreme Court of the United States is now present, and ready to administer to you the oath required by the Constitution to be taken by the President of the United States.”

On which the President of the United States, rising from his seat, was pleased to address the audience as follows:

“Fellow Citizens: I am again called upon, by the voice of my country, to execute the functions of its Chief Magistrate. When the occasion proper for it shall arrive, I shall endeavor to express the high sense I entertain of this distinguished honor, and of the confidence which has been reposed in me by the People of United America.

“Previous to the execution of any official act of the President, the Constitution requires an oath of office. This oath I am now about to take, and in your presence; that, if it shall be found, during my administration of the Government, I have, in any instance, violated willingly or knowingly, the injunction thereof, I may (besides incurring constitutional punishment) be subject to the upbraidings of all who are now witnesses of the present solemn ceremony.”

Judge Cushing then administered the oath of office required by the Constitution; after which, the President of the United States retired, and the spectators dispersed.

A written message was received from the President of the United States, by Mr. Lear, his Secretary, as follows:

UNITED STATES, *March 4th*, 1793.

Gentlemen of the Senate:

I nominate William Patterson, at present Governor of the State of New Jersey, to be one of the Associate Justices of the Supreme Court of the United States, vice Thomas Johnston, resigned.

Melancthon Lloyd Woolsey, to be Collector of the District of Champlain, in the State of New York; and

William Thompson, to be Collector of the port of Hardwick, in the district of Hardwick, and State of Georgia.

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On motion, it was agreed by unanimous consent, so far to dispense with the rule, as that the nominations be taken into consideration at this time.

Resolved, That the Senate advise and consent to the appointments, agreeable to the nominations respectively.

Ordered, That the Secretary lay this resolution before the President of the United States.

On motion,

Ordered, That Mr. Livermore and Mr. Cabot be a Committee to wait on the President of the United States, and inform him that the Senate have completed the business before them, and are ready to adjourn, unless he has any further communications to make.

Mr. Livermore, from the Committee appointed for the purpose, reported that they had waited on the President of the United States, as directed, who informed the Committee that he had nothing further to communicate to the Senate at this time.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Senate adjourn without day.

Attest:

SAM: A. OTIS, *Secretary*.

END OF THE SEVENTH SESSION.